

FIRST PRIVATE CAR SEVENTEEN-MILE IN THE CLOVERLEAF

Frank R. White to Drive An
Apperson Throughout
Trip.

LIST WILL CLOSE ON SUNDAY NIGHT

Plans Nearly Completed, and
Event Will Open Season
In Capital.

By HARRY WARD.

To Frank I. White belongs the distinction of being the first private owner to enter a car in the "Four-Leaf Clover Run." Yesterday he purchased an Apperson car from Emerson & Orme and immediately entered the machine with Capt. "Ted" S. Johnston, who has charge of the run. Mr. White announced he would drive the car throughout the four days run.

The Apperson entry brings the list up to seventeen, and as the entries will close Sunday night it is expected the next three days will find Captain Johnston busy in recording the late entries. Plans for the unique tour, which will open the motor season in Washington, are nearly completed. Much interest is being manifested in the event and entrants are being besieged with requests for places as passengers in the competing cars. The route selected is through a section of the country rich in historic interest and as nearly 90 per cent of the roads over which the cars will travel are in excellent condition, an enjoyable trip is in prospect for those who will make up the big caravan.

Harry "Endurance" Walls, winner of the sweepstakes trophy in the Munsey Historic Tour last year, carried off the trophy in the recent tri-city run of the Quaker City Motor Club. Walls drove the Columbia car of L. D. Berger, president of the Quaker City Club, from Philadelphia to Atlantic City, a distance of seventy-two miles. The secret time selected by the mayors of Philadelphia and Atlantic City was 3 hours, 45 minutes, 16 seconds, and Walls finished just 24 seconds behind this schedule.

T. S. Johnston, manager of the Buick Motor Company, received word today that a Marquette Buick car had been entered in the French and Erie to be run over the Sarthe circuit July 5. The car will be driven by Louis Chevrolet. His early training in driving and automobile construction was secured in France. In 1909 he came to America. As soon as he was a great driver, he is a thorough mechanic and his complete knowledge along these lines he attributes his success fully as much as to his masterful driving. During the Vanderbilt Cup race he was well up with the leaders when an accident put him out of the running. Possibly his greatest victory was the winning of the Cobb Trophy race in 1909. Driving a Buick, he covered 356.5 miles in the remarkable time of 8 hours 2 minutes and 44 seconds.

Many friends of the Zell Motor Car Company called yesterday to inspect the company's new salesroom and garage, at 1405 H street northwest. The building is two stories in height, of brick and concrete construction. The salesroom is a large and well lighted room and a large number of cars can be displayed to advantage. The building is located on the second floor. A Stanley Zell, president of the company, and Manager James Flynn were busy throughout the day receiving inquiries on the fine appearance of the new establishment.

"In an effort to keep up with the demand for trucks, the directors of the Packard Motor Car Company, have authorized new construction to be practically triple the capacity of the truck shops," said S. A. Luttrell, of the Luttrell Company, Packard agents here. "The increase in facilities will give the truck shops a normal capacity of five trucks a day. The company has also decided to make public service vehicles a part of its standard output."

"The Canadian reciprocity agreement is of far greater importance to the automobile business than to the rest of the industry," said J. D. Maxwell, president of the Maxwell-Briscoe Motor Company. "The duty on automobiles from 25 to 30 per cent, makes a wider channel for American goods to flow across the border, but it is more important because it brings a rich automobile market closer to our doors. Canada's great field for utility cars is the vast grain region. If the duty on grain country is any comparison, the Canadian Northwest will take thousands of utility passenger cars adaptable to agricultural work. We have 52,000 automobiles owned by farmers in the United States and 60 per cent of them are used by grain producers. Eleven thousand are Maxwell owners. It is easy to see, therefore, that the market for automobiles in Canada, where grain is the chief farm product, is a wonderful market."

Happy Fans Will Be Shoe Company's Guests

Nine happy fans will see the Washington-Philadelphia game today as guests of William Hahn & Co., shoe dealers. They will drive to the successful baseball voting contest recently conducted by the firm, which aroused the interest of a large majority of Washington's baseball enthusiasts.

A total of 7,000,000 votes was cast by friends of the contest, a full list of which is posted at each of the company's three stores.

The winners of the fifty-game season tickets were Marshall Johnson, 1005 Old place; R. Flick, 20 I street northwest; and Robert Haley, 306 South Capitol street. The winners of the special week prizes were J. D. Sullivan, No. 3 fire engine company, and W. A. Dugan, 1131 Sixth street northwest, fifteen single-game tickets; Joseph Wells, 120 Fourth street; E. J. Hierling, 620 A street southeast; and J. Egan, No. 4 fire engine company, ten single-game tickets; C. H. Smallwood, 214 I street, five single-game tickets.

Mrs. Baker Dies At Home In Germantown

Mrs. A. H. Baker, eighty-one years old, of Germantown, Md., died last night after a brief illness. Despite her advanced years, she had been in the best of health until recently. She was the widow of Prof. A. H. Baker, president of Western Maryland College and mother of the former District Attorney Daniel W. Baker.

Four daughters and two sons survive her. Mrs. Baker was a native of Loudoun county, Virginia, and had lived in Germantown twenty-five years. The funeral arrangements will be made today.

BELASCO OFFERS FRITZI SCHEFF IN NEW COMIC OPERA

"Mlle. Rosita" Is Musical
Piece In Which She Will
Appear.

Fritzi Scheff in a new comic opera composed by Victor Herbert, and in which this dainty prima donna herself says is the best she has ever appeared in since she deserted the ranks of grand opera, will be the offering next week at the Belasco Theater, beginning on Monday evening.

"Mlle. Rosita" is the name of Fritzi Scheff's new offering. It is the combined work of Victor Herbert, who wrote the music, and Joseph Horner and Mark Swan, who stand sponsors for the libretto.

Although the regular season is on the wane, this engagement promises to be one of the interesting of the year. Boston and Philadelphia have already seen "Mlle. Rosita," and, according to reports, both cities received it enthusiastically, and gave it hearty praise.

The production, which is said to be complete in every detail, is made by the Messrs. Schubert, who have also assembled for Mlle. Scheff's support an unusually effective cast, which, in addition to a comedy chorus, contains a coterie of favorites in Walter Jones, Emma Janvier, Olga Steck, George Graham, Eugene O'Brien, Charles Jude, and others.

ACADEMY—"Boots and Saddles"

For the locale of his new play, "Boots and Saddles," Eugene Walter selected military life in the West.

In "Boots and Saddles," Mr. Walter has selected the cavalry for his characters. The first act is the early summer in Montana, temporary camp of Troop K, Thirty-sixth United States Cavalry. The second act is two weeks later, and is in the evening in front of a rich mine owner's home. The third act is the home of Lucy Ferris, the heroine of the play, and the fourth and last act is dawn the next morning.

A competent and adequate scenic equipment is promised. "Boots and Saddles" will be the offering at the Academy during the week of May 8.

GAYETY—The Big Banner Show.

Gallagher and Shanon present "The Big Banner Show," offering as its star attraction a two-act musical satire, "The Girl From Paris," at the Gayety Theater next week.

The plot is interesting and abounds in new songs, dances, and a whirlwind of merriment, with a company of clever comedians, including the popular singer, Al Shanon, the happy little Dutchman, and Thomas De Vassy.

Among the comedienne acts are the dainty Babette, Clara Gibson, and Mabel Leslie. Arnie Goldie, and a brilliant revue of song show give eight sensational vaudeville acts will be presented.

CASINO—Vaudeville.

The vaudeville bill at the Casino Theater for next week promises to be one of the best of the season, for Manager Mayer describes it as "two thousand dollars' worth of vaudeville" at the usual prices. The headline act will be "The Ten Merry Youngsters," who will provide thirty-five minutes of entertainment full of comedy, singing and dancing. Another attractive act will be Will Lacey, a former Washington boy, who is now a champion comedy bicyclist and comedian. Other acts include Bobbie Gordon, in classic poses; Joe Hardman, eccentric comedian; Kelly and Judge, comedy acrobats; Chester and Jones, general comedians in a little of everything; "The Kid," character comedian, and the usual motion picture plays.

MAJESTIC—"A Man of Mystery."

Next week the O'Connor Rowe Stock Company will present "A Man of Mystery" at the Majestic Theater. This play is unusually attractive and instructive with few dull moments. The breezy comedy furnishes ample relaxation. Herbert O'Connor will be seen in the title role.

"Oldest Inhabitants" Are Stirred By Family Row

There is much discussion among the members of the Association of Oldest Inhabitants this morning because of an attack made on the building committee of the association by Baldwin Drane, a carpenter.

Drane says he has been used as a tool by the society, of which he is a member, as he had been told the contract for remodeling the old fire engine house at Nineteenth and H streets northwest for the new home of the association was to be given him. After he had collected funds for the improvements the contract, he says, was awarded another man.

"I love the society," said Drane, "and want to do its work, not because I hope to make money out of it, but to have some active part in the building of its future home. I am eighty-three years old and consider my plans for the new home of the society superior to those accepted."

Judge Charles S. Bundy, on behalf of the building committee of the association, said the contract was given to the lowest bidder and the action of the committee was approved.

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"JACK STRAW" GIVES EMELIE MELVILLE GOOD OPPORTUNITY

Columbia Players to Present
Maughan Comedy Next
Week.

Henry Mortimer and Emelie Melville will occupy the center of the stage at the Columbia Theater next week, when the Columbia Players will present the first of their new season—W. Somerset Maughan's clever comedy, "Jack Straw."

It will be recalled as the play originally produced by Mr. Drew at the Empire Theater in New York, September 14, 1908, with Rose Coghlan in the part of Mrs. Parker Jennings, a part that will afford Mrs. Melville greater opportunities for her excellent character work than any in which a Washington audience has yet seen her.

Mr. Mortimer will undoubtedly give a good account of himself in the title role, while Mr. Melville will be assisted by Butterfield and the other members of the company will give the usual good account of themselves.

Much care will be exercised in mounting and staging the comedy.

Lillian Burkhart Heads Chase's Bill Next Week

Chase's next week will offer Lillian Burkhart and company, the famous Lillian Burkhart, Arthur Bowen, the Mr. Ray and Cantwell company, Hickey's Comedy Donkey and Ponies, Susanne Rocumoro, the Strength Brothers, and "A Fisher Lass" by the daylight motion pictures.

After a long absence Miss Burkhart returns in her latest comedy success, "What Every Woman Wants." The celebrated "Curtis" offer their spectacular musical ensemble, Arthur Bowen is "the singing cartoonist," a novelty, and a recent hit, George McKay, John Cantwell, Bette Walker, and Comely will give their new musical comedy, "Below the Dead-Line." Hickey's Comedy Donkey and Ponies is a new musical comedy, and Susanne Rocumoro is Washington's own singing comedienne. The Strength Brothers are European athletic marvels.

Backing Recital.

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Ben Greet Players.

Announcement is made that the Ben Greet Woodland Players will give a series of outdoor performances on the lawn of the Bristol School. The plays selected, "Midsummer Night's Dream," "Mendelssohn's Comedy of Errors," "The Tempest," "As You Like It," "Merry Wives of Windsor." Mr. Greet has surrounded himself with an excellent company this season.

Polk Miller.

Polk Miller, Colonel Tom Booker, and Mr. Miller's "Old South Quartet" are announced by the Radcliffe Bureau for the Columbia Theater Monday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

Everyone knows Mr. Miller's ability as an entertainer and many who have listened to his quartet believe there is nothing just like it under the sun. Their music is in a class of its own, for they sing the old songs as the negroes sang them before the war.

In addition to selections by the quartet there will be songs and artistic banjo gymnastics by Colonel Booker.

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MADAM BUTTERFLY CHOSEN AS SECOND BILL AT NATIONAL

Two Prima Donnas Will
Alternate In the Title
Role.

Puccini's exquisite "Madam Butterfly" will be the second opera given by the Aborn English Grand Opera Company during its engagement at the National Theater, the first performance being next Monday night.

As planned for the entire season, two prima donnas will alternate in the title role, for "Madam Butterfly" those selected being Regina Vicarino and Dora de Filippo. It was in the first performance of Mascagni's "Iris" at the Metropolitan Opera House that the latter made her first appearance in this country, and she was later one of the prima donnas of the "Savage" "Butterfly" company when the opera was first produced in this country, the opening performance being given in this city.

Mlle. Vicarino was one of the Hammerstein stars, singing Micaela in "Carmen," Marguerite in "Faust," and the Doll in "Hoffmann's Tales."

Others who will be heard in the cast are Morton Adkins, Henry Taylor, Ellen James, Laura Terrell, Saul Roselle, Fred Chapman, and Rudolph Koch. The orchestra will be conducted by Caesar Sodero.

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PLAY IS TO BE GIVEN TONIGHT BY EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL PUPILS

"The Twig of Thorn" Will
Be Presented By Senior
and Junior Classes.

Pupils and teachers of the Eastern High School tomorrow night and Saturday will offer an excellent entertainment program to patrons of the school. Efforts are being made to raise money for certain school purposes of benefit and pleasure to the pupils that are not covered in the regular school appropriations. To raise this fund the teachers and pupils, working together, have arranged an Irish fanny play in two acts, "The Twig of Thorn."

The performance tomorrow night will be for the pupils of the first and fourth years and their friends, and on Saturday night for the second and third year pupils.

The cast of characters in "The Twig of Thorn" are from the senior and junior classes of the school. They have been trained and are directed by a committee from the corps of teachers, and there is every promise that they will give a thoroughly creditable and enjoyable entertainment.

The teachers who have charge of the performances are Miss A. M. Colman, Miss E. T. Prince, Miss M. C. Gunther, Miss A. M. Merrill, C. J. Schwartz, and G. A. Ross.

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Capt. Frank P. W. Hough's Wife Sues for Divorce

Absolute divorce from Capt. Frank P. W. Hough, surgeon in the United States navy, is sought by Mrs. Mabelle Moore Hough. The suit has been instituted in Elizabeth City county, Va., according to dispatch received from Richmond. The grounds on which the decree is sought are not yet known. Captain Hough is with the battleship New Hampshire.

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